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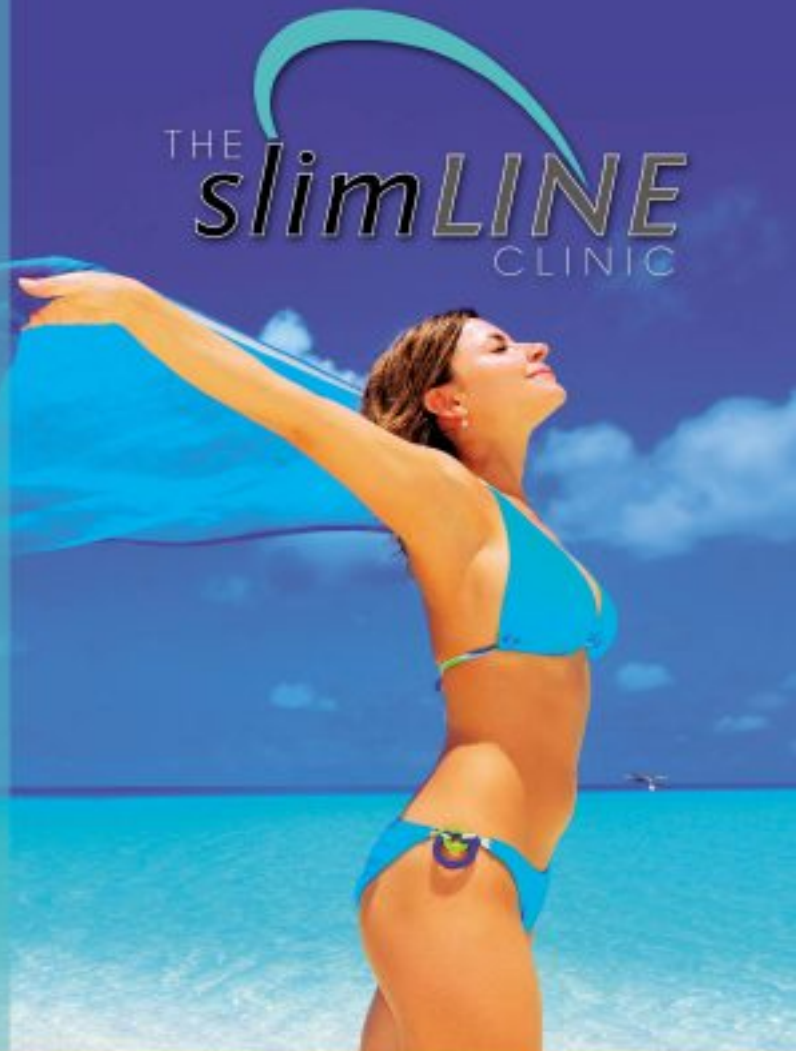
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Teachers stage walkout in academy plan storm

BY SAMANTHA LEWIS
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A SCHOOL was forced to close yesterday when teachers went on strike over a 'rushed' bid to turn it into an academy.

More than 25 National Union of Teachers (NUT) members from Kingsthorpe College took industrial action against plans currently being consulted on for academy status.

And around 1,300 students missed lessons because of the dispute over the move to take the secondary school out of local authority control.

NUT county secretary Gordon White said: "We are striking today because the school leadership has taken the decision to take the school away from the local authority when it is a community school and hand over control to a trust."

"The staff have not been consulted or the parents and the students and it has all been very rushed."

"We are against the academy because it changes our terms and conditions and allows the academy to consult on changes that could affect things such as the working hours and the school day."

The industrial action comes after the Department of Education confirmed Kingsthorpe College, in Boughton Green Road, had their application for academy status



PROTEST: NUT duo Gordon White and Linda Chandler-Hughes on the picket line at the college yesterday

accepted earlier this month. The striking teachers were also joined by a teacher from the Northampton School for Girls, which is also under 'pressure' to be turned into an academy.

During yesterday's one-day walkout many members of staff still turned up to work, and students were still able to sit their A Level exams.

Mr White added: "The aim of the strike is to get the governors to withdraw the proposition and start a proper process of consultation. We want the school to stay in the local community."

"They have known there was

going to be a ballot for three months but there has been no attempt to contact us."

"This gives us the impression they are steamrolling ahead and will carry on regardless."

According to the Department of Education Kingsthorpe College is one of the 41 schools in Northamptonshire that has applied for academy status.

And currently there are 26 academies open across the county. Principal of Kingsthorpe College, Judith Long, said: "The governors have expressed an interest in going along the road to becoming an academy."

"Once that's done you have a consultation process. We started that process on May 11 and it's six weeks, ending on June 22."

"During that time there will be meetings for staff and parents. I've also contacted our partners in the community."

"That's a time for governors to listen to any concerns that anybody has."

She added: "I find it really strange and disappointing that some members of the NUT have taken this action at the beginning of the consultation process before any meetings have taken place."

"This is the governors' decision. We are going through a process. At the end of the process the governors will make a decision."



Dan's a big hit with kids

NORTHAMPTONSHIRE lad and Olympic gymnastic hopeful Daniel Keatings wowed pupils at Little Houghton Church of England Primary School yesterday. He was visiting the county with Opus Energy to show off his pommel horse routine, talk to students about his preparation for this summer's games and what life is like as 22-year-old professional athlete.



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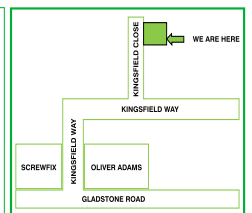
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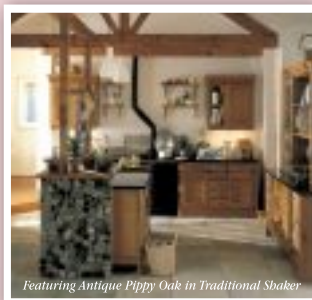


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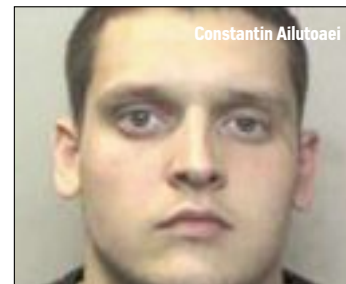
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Seven men who top the police's most wanted list

BY LAUREN DAVIS

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THESE are the faces of Northamptonshire's most wanted – seven suspected criminals on the run.

After hunting for some of these men for more than a year, police hope that releasing these pictures will lead to arrests.

The most well known among them is Anxiang Du, 53, the man wanted in connection with the murders of the Ding family, who were stabbed to death in April last year at their Wootton home.

He was last seen wearing a white baseball cap, grey trousers, a blue top and black leather shoes. He was carrying a yellow rucksack.

Senior Investigating Officer, DCI Tom Davies said: "Whilst we have recently made arrests with regards to this investigation, we have not yet received any confirmed sightings of Anxiang Du anywhere in the world."

"He speaks Mandarin and English, will be self-sufficient, is likely to travel alone and will be comfortable using any form of public transport."

He added: "The enhanced reward of



Anxiang Du

£25,000 is offered to ensure that anyone with that vital piece of information comes forward."

Three of the other men police are looking for are wanted on prison recall, one of whom committed a burglary in Northampton in November 2004.

Joseph Delaney, now 31, stole thousands of pounds in cash from a widow and also took her late husband's war medals. Police say his last known address

was in the Northampton area, but he has been wanted since July 22 last year.

Two men being hunted down are suspected of fraud. Artur Dereniowski, 22, from Corby, allegedly transferred a total of £3,775.45 from numerous accounts into his own, and Kaspar Grinvalds, 24, last known to be living in Wellingborough, is wanted after a total of £985.48 was moved from another person's account in May 2010.

Others are wanted for more than one offence. Police are looking for Krstaps Minzars, 26, from Northampton, in connection with theft, fraud and obstructing a police officer. He was arrested in April 2008 for driving without insurance and gave officers a passport which was later found to be false.

He is also suspected of stealing a bank card at an ATM at Sainsbury's, on Rockingham Road, Kettering, and later using the card to withdraw cash.

David McMahon, 37, and Constantin Ailutoaei, 23, are wanted for unspecified crimes committed in Northampton.

Anyone with any information should call Northamptonshire Police on 101 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111.

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TRIBUTE TO RICHARD

A MEMORIAL football match will take place at Sixfields at 7pm tonight for Richard Butcher. Mr Butcher was a trainee at Cobblers before going on to play professionally.

He was 29 when he died on January 10 last year at his Manchester home from what his parents were told was 'adult cot death syndrome'.

HOWZAT FOR A FREEBIE

ABINGTON residents will be bowled over by a free offer of cricket. People who live in the ward, near Northamptonshire CCC's County Ground, can watch the team play Warwickshire on Sunday. Gates open at 11.45am for a 1.45pm start. Entry is free for Abington residents who must complete a form which is available from rharding@

northamptonshire.gov.uk and bring it along on the day.

CARE KIDS FACE WAIT

CHILDREN in care are waiting more than 18 months to move in with adoptive parents in the county

According to new Government figures, over the last three years children waited on average 568 days to be placed with an adoptive family – 71 days lower than the national average.

PARISHES ON THE CARDS

SEVEN new parish councils may be created. Northampton Borough Council will discuss the plans in the next few weeks for Parklands, Rectory Farm, Sunnyside and Obelisk, and West Hunsbury. Parish councils could also be created in Westone, St James and Hunsbury Meadows.

Mum's school placing blast

A SINGLE mum says she will be forced to buy a car she cannot afford after the council allocated her child a school on the other side of Northampton from where she lives.

The woman, who the *Herald & Post* have agreed not to name, didn't receive any of her three preferences.

Instead, her four-year-old daughter has been offered a place at a school half an hour's walk away.

The pair live on Derngate, Northampton and cannot afford a car, but Northamptonshire County Council have placed the prospective pupil at Queen Eleanor School in Far Cotton.

The distressed mum said: "I don't drive. I'm a single parent. It's hard for me to get there."

"My daughter is quite shy

and withdrawn, so I'm not happy to send her to a school like that. I feel like I've been given no choice at all."

The woman has appealed the council's decision but said: "They won't be interested in the troubles I've got."

She says she is now considering trying to get charity funding to send her daughter to St Peter's Independent School for the first year, but said she would be forced to buy a car because that was also too far away.

She admitted the purchase would leave her with financial problems.

Her complaints come just a week after Michael Ellis, MP for Northampton North wrote to the county council asking whether anything could be done to improve the "unfairness" of the primary school allocation system.



RAISING AWARENESS: Rowena Finn, Ania Adams, Sharon Young and Marie Coe at the roadshow

Roadshow aims to be clear on cancer

A LUNG cancer roadshow was raising awareness of the disease among shoppers yesterday.

The 'Be Clear on Cancer' coughing event came to the Grosvenor Shopping Centre as part of its tour of retail facilities over the next three weeks.

Its aim is to raise awareness that a

cough that lasts for three weeks or more could be a sign of lung cancer.

The disease affects 33,000 people each year with 406 cases in Northampton.

In the town there are around 345 deaths a year.

The majority of cases occur in people over the age of 55.

£1m water plan is in the pipeline

ANGLIAN Water has promised to keep disruption to a minimum when it starts a £1m programme to replace lead pipes with plastic ones in 32 streets in Northampton.

Work is set to target the Far Cotton and St James areas over eight months starting in Delapre Crescent Road and Thirlstane Crescent next month.

The new European standards, which come into force next year, will see the limit on lead in drinking water more than halve, from 25 to 10 parts per billion.

Northampton is one of the first places to benefit from the replacement work because of the town's high number of older properties, which are served by lead pipes.

No streets will be closed during the work and Anglian Water has said the only downside is residents may have to find a different parking space while the work is carried out.

Olympic duties won't hit policing, say cops

BY LAUREN DAVIS

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NEARLY 200 Northamptonshire police officers will be on duty at the Olympic Games - but chiefs insist the county's policing will not be adversely affected.

The Force is providing assistance in London and Dorset for a total of 47 days, with as many as 82 officers leaving their normal duties at any one time.

Most of the 198 transferring are usually 'bobbies on the beat', but some of the county's specialist teams will also be involved, including the public order unit, dog handlers and firearms experts.

But the man heading the force's Olympic operations, Assistant Chief Constable Martin Jelley, said that 'day-to-day business' would not stop for the Games.

He said: "We have taken steps to maintain levels of local policing during the Olympic period and communities can be assured that we will respond quickly and effectively when they need us. "Officers are also working with out partners and with communities to ensure everyone can celebrate the Olympics safely."

Annual leave has been restricted across the service and some training sessions have been rescheduled to

allow more officers to be posted to the capital.

Final numbers are yet to be confirmed but a Force spokesman said that Special Constables and volunteers would "play a role" in the county's day-to-day policing during the Games.

Asst CC Jelley added: "Officers from across the Force have volunteered to be part of the national response and we have local Olympic duties to provide safe passage for Olympic teams through the county."

On peak days, around 12,500 officers will police the Games, and the National Olympic Security Coordinator, Assistant

Commissioner Chris Allison, admits it will be a "busy and challenging time".

But he added: "All 51 forces are playing a role to deliver a fantastic summer of celebration, yet our planning has also ensured that our core policing continues, keeping our communities safe."

"In addition, we maintain our regional resilience, able to manage major incidents or investigations and respond to contingencies outside of the Games wherever necessary."

Extra policing at the Games will be funded by the central Olympic Security Budget, allowing forces to send their officers without financial impact.

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Uni students' £300k in library loan fines

BY SAMANTHA LEWIS

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NEARLY £300,000 in library fines have been paid by students at the University of Northampton over the last five years.

Figures show students racked up the most amount of penalties in the academic year 2007/8 and paid the university more than £65,000.

The university said the money collected forms part of the overall library budget, and their fines match those given out by other higher education institutions.

A Freedom of Information request revealed between the

academic years 2006/7 and 2010/11 the university collected a total of £296,314 in library fines across their two campuses.

The least amount of money the university obtained during the five-year period was £52,000 paid in 2009/10.

Currently learners are fined 25p per day for each standard loan handed back late.

In November last year the university raised the cost of an overdue short-term book or equipment loan from 60p to £1 per hour.

A spokesman for the university said: "It is important that our library books are returned on

time and so are available to everyone who might need them for their studies. Our fines reflect that and are on a par with other higher education institutions.

"Taking into consideration the number of students we have, then the average fine per student would work out at under £4.45 in an academic year."

Students are alerted by email to remind them to bring back a book. If they fail to return it they will be asked to replace the book themselves or pay the cost price.

The university also occasionally run 'fine days' where money collected on a certain date is donated to a chosen charity.

Saints plan 2,000 more seats

SAINTS Rugby Club are well on their way to transforming Franklin's Gardens stadium into a much bigger venue.

Proposals submitted to Northampton Borough Council outline plans to expand seating capacity by 2,000, taking the total number of supporters who can be accommodated to nearly 15,500.

A new North Stand would replace the current Sturtridge Pavilion – the oldest part of the stadium. The

club say that matches regularly sell out and that it has averaged 98 per cent capacity for the last few years.

Councillor Terry Wire, leader of Northampton's Labour group and representative for St James ward where the ground is based, said his party was in favour of the plans.

He added: "The issues we do need to solve is the local infrastructure in the area surrounding the stadium and getting a proper traffic management scheme in place."



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New group takes litter action

A VILLAGE has thrown itself behind a serious 'spring clean'.

Litter-pickers in Hardingstone were out in force on Sunday with young and old scouring the streets. They collected rubbish that filled more than 100 bin bags, and the area outside the school was a particular focus.

The event was the first organised by the village's newly formed residents' group.

Tina Sweetser, one of the founders, said the next

problem to be tackled was damaged railings around Hardingstone's war memorial.

But she added: "Our long term goal is to combine these good deeds with fundraising events to gather in as much money as we can for our village primary school. Times are tough and it's clear that any money we can raise will be greatly appreciated."

"A zebra crossing by the school is paramount. In the past there have been far too many near misses."

Flash too many lands man in jail

BY JULIA SUTTON
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A SERIAL flasher has been banned from public parks after he was jailed for exposing himself to a mother and her baby.

Colin Harrison, 45, followed the victim through Victoria Park in St James, Northampton, on November 3 last year.

Northampton Crown Court heard how the man had drunk three litres of cider and was sitting on a park bench when the woman walked past.

James McLernon, prosecuting, said she was pushing a pram with her 13-month-old son walking beside her.

He said: "The defendant was smiling and holding his penis in his hand. As they passed, he stood up and walked behind them."

"She picked up her son. The defendant was still

following them." Harrison, of Weedon Road, St James, Northampton, was later arrested after the woman flagged down a police patrol car.

Mr McLernon added: "She was particularly frightened because there was no one else there at the time. She was concerned for her own safety and the safety of her son."

In interview the defendant denied exposing himself and said he had been drinking because he had "fallen off the wagon" that day.

But he later pleaded guilty to outraging public decency and was convicted at Northampton Magistrates' Court on April 19.

Sentencing the defendant on Friday, Recorder Geoffrey Kelly, said: "This is your fourth offence of exposure or outraging public decency. It's actually a very serious offence

because of the serious effect it has. In this case you followed the victim - she was walking innocently along with her son. You seemingly have no understanding of the fear you have engendered in that woman's mind."

Handing Harrison four months in prison, the recorder added: "You have been given chances before, but you have not taken advantage of those chances."

Already on the sex offenders' register, Harrison was also placed under an indefinite sexual offences prevention order. The ruling bans him from entering or loitering near public parks while under the influence of alcohol, and from unzipping or loosening his clothing in public.

He was also ordered not to approach any female he does not know unless contact was "unavoidable".

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OAP DIES AFTER CAR COLLISION
AN elderly woman has died after she was hit by a vehicle in a shopping centre car park.

The 78-year-old was struck last Friday by a gold Vauxhall Corsa which had just dropped her off at Weston Favell, Northampton.

She was knocked over in the covered section of the car park at about 11.10am and taken to Northampton General Hospital with a suspected fractured hip. Police said that the woman died at the hospital on Saturday.

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as a manager of the Buckingham shoe shop in the town centre. When he arrived Jenny was working there and, according to Roger, as soon as he saw her it was 'love at first sight'.

Jenny, 52, admitted it was not

as instant for her but over time she said Roger grew on her.

The two have now been together 27 years and have two children plus one step child and three great grandchildren.

Children are an important element in the couple's lives as

they have run the Roundabout after-school club for the past 16 years. It is something they love doing and get so much enjoyment by helping all the children, including those with special needs, to blossom.

The couple are also asking youngsters to paint them an 'alternative Mayoral picture' which they will hang in the parlour along with their official portrait.

Cllr Conroy said: "We are taking the robes out to the children and in the week leading up to the Queen's Diamond Jubilee we will be visiting seven schools."

"We will wear them and the chains to engage with the children as something like this has never happened before."

The two charities they have selected for the Mayoral year are the Sea Cadets and Megan's Flutterby Fund.

The couple admitted they don't have a lot of spare time although they enjoy travelling.

Cllr Conroy said he would love to go to Machu Picchu in Peru but Jenny said even if they won the lottery and had the money to do what they wanted, they would probably end up taking 30 children to Disneyworld.

And that sums up the couple, thinking of and ready to help others.


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Job lot for Iain

BY LAWRENCE JOHN
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THE former leader of the Conservative party has been spotted in town – in the job centre.

Iain Duncan Smith, who is now the Secretary of State for Works and Pensions, paid a visit to the Northampton facility on Friday as part of a fact finding mission.

He spoke to staff about their experiences and how Government policy was actually working.

The minister spent an



USEFUL: Iain Duncan Smith

hour and a half chatting to employees on each of the different floors about their roles and how they were

dealing with the task of getting people back into work.

He wanted to know what was good, what were their frustrations about the job and how he could make things better.

Mr Duncan Smith said: "It has been incredibly useful. When I go back to the office my officials must hate it as I tell them all the things they are doing wrong, which is exactly what I do."

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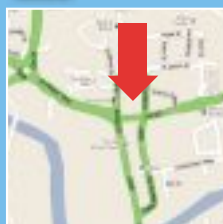
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Good luck Ash and Puds

I WISH Britain's Got Talent winners Ashleigh and Pudsey all the best.

However, I can't help but worry for this teenage girl and her cute pet dog now they have entered the world of show-business.

Ashleigh seems like a nice, grounded girl but coping being thrust into this survival of the fittest industry while also taking your school exams is a lot to contend with.

I hope the people behind this talent show have her best interests at heart and don't squeeze her and Pudsey for everything they've got before the next hopeful catches their imagination instead.

I would urge Ashleigh and her family to stay in control and not be walked over. It would be lovely for this duo to make something of their talent but I



POOCH APPEAL: Ashleigh and Pudsey appearing on ITV's Lorraine show

hope it doesn't end up costing them.

Good luck Ashleigh and Pudsey – and I pray you continue to enjoy each other's company for

pleasure not business. If it ever gets too much may I suggest a nice long walk together!
AB Richards
By email

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Left 'helpless' by school place frustration

I HAVE missed out on three of my chosen primary schools.

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I am a working, single

parent, I do not have a car and will find it very hard to travel.

I feel helpless and increasingly frustrated with this situation.

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A spiritual world would be an alternative

KAREN Haylings (*Herald & Post* May 17) expresses her fascination with the paranormal.

There are clearly many who feel the same way.

What baffles me is that despite a readiness to believe in such things, they do not explore the reality of the spiritual world.

Do we have a parallel spirit world or do we have a deity,

or maybe more than one, reigning over us? I find the former notion quite scary.

In contrast, as a Christian, I find the idea of a loving God extremely comforting.

I cannot force my faith on anyone but encourage all readers to think carefully about the implications of a spirit or spiritual dimension
C A Bricher
Northampton

Turbines are putting the 'wind' up me

I SEE that Butchers Pet Care of Crick is planning to install two wind turbines "to provide its electricity for up to the next 25 years".

That's fine – but are they aware they will only get power from these turbines for about 30 per cent of the time?

Even then you only get full power when the wind is at near gale strength.

Lighter winds than that decrease the output dramatically, higher than that they have to switch them off.

But perhaps intermittent power like that is all they want.

I am very glad to see that, since this is for their use alone, they are presumably going to pay the full costs themselves.

The other windmills you see around make money for the landowners in staggering amounts because they feed into the National Grid.

Presumably 'Butchers' won't be doing that so they get no income to offset the cost of installation, which is about £300,000 per turbine.

At last, a public spirited wind turbine development!

Derek Clark
UKIP MEP
For Northamptonshire

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This would save a lot of

deaths on the roads and cut pollution.

Businessmen like to relax and work with their computers on the train which helps them to concentrate better when they get to their business.

Too many people rush about today without giving much thought to things that they ought to, I think a high speed train is too costly.

Jack Rickard
Rushden

What a stinker! My food waste ignored

I RETURNED from work on Friday to find the bin men hadn't collected my food waste. My other recycling was taken and I can see no reason why it was left.

This was the exact reason

why people had concerns because now I am left with a bin full of rotting matter.

It's a good job it's not too warm or it will really pong!

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IN THE HOT
SEAT: Cllr
John Bailey

John lands top county job

ONE of the most experienced councillors in Northamptonshire has been made chairman of the County Council.

Councillor John Bailey, who represents Finedon, is aiming to use his leadership to speed up council meetings and cut out waffle. He said: "Meetings tend

to go on too long these days. I will be trying to discourage too many presentations which take up too much time. "Whether I succeed or not we will see."

Cllr Bailey has been a member of the county authority (NCC) for 42 years and has sat on Wellingborough Council for 45 years.

Drug 'deliverer' OAP avoids jail

BY LAUREN DAVIS

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A PENSIONER was caught "delivering" crack cocaine after plain clothes police officers saw him drop a package.

Leslie Lynsford, 65, of Lawrence Court, Northampton was found with £220 worth of the drug.

Officers in an unmarked car saw the defendant on his street on May 7 last year at around 5.15pm and said he appeared to look at their vehicle and suddenly put his hands in his pockets.

As they pulled up beside him he flicked something onto the floor.

It was later revealed to be 2.72g of crack cocaine broken into small individual rocks.

In interview, Lynsford said he was only "delivering" the drugs and was not involved in dealing, but police seized cling film and scales from his home.

He was due to be tried at Northampton Crown Court on April 23, but pleaded guilty to possession of a class A drug with intent to supply, and admitted breaking a large

amount into smaller pieces. Sentencing Lynsford on Friday, Recorder Geoffrey Kelly gave him a 12-month prison term suspended for two years and ordered him to abide by a three month curfew.

He said: "You were acting as a courier on one isolated occasion to make some money."

Recorder Kelly said the sentence could be suspended because the defendant had not been in trouble with police since the 1990s, and that no money from dealing was found at his property.

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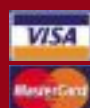


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Cats injured in air rifle attacks

BY LAWRENCE JOHN

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CAT owners have been devastated after their cherished pets were injured in two separate air rifle incidents.

The RSPCA is now urging people to come forward with information following the shootings in Clarence Avenue and Greenway Avenue in Northampton.

Fiona and Robert Bailey, who live in Clarence Avenue, felt sick after their three-year-old cat Wilbur was targeted.

Mrs Bailey, 31, who is nine months pregnant, said: "Words can hardly describe how we felt as we were both in bits."

"I know people will say he is just a cat but he is very much part of our family and it would not be the same without him. We were sickened that someone could do this to a defenceless animal."

She added if the pellet had been a millimetre to the left or right it would have hit a major artery.

This incident took place between 8am and 6pm on Monday, May 14.

Last Thursday, a seven-month-old Bengal cat called Enzo was shot near its home in the Boothville area.

His owner Geoff Pallett, who lives in Greenway Avenue, said: "When we found him he seemed almost dead. We are

FIRING LINE: Fiona Bailey's cat Wilbur



keeping our fingers crossed he will be fine. We are really upset this has happened."

A spokesperson for the RSPCA said: "It is absolutely vital if anyone saw anything suspicious or knows of anyone shooting at animals in the area that they come forward with information."

"People cannot be allowed to get away with causing such awful injuries."

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Light switch saves £2m

BY SAMANTHA LEWIS
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TURNING off half of the county's street lights has saved almost £2 million, new figures have shown.

Northamptonshire County Council (NCC) has spent £3m on street illumination in the last year compared to the expected £4.9m.

In a bid to save money it switched off around 30,000 lamps which cost the authority more than £35,000.

And while the council said the lights were not turned off on an 'ad-hoc basis' an opposition councillor has expressed her concern that it has caused people to become 'prisoners' in their homes.

Lib Dem Councillor Sally Beardsworth said: "I know the council has to make savings but I think there has been a lot of worry with community safety since the streets lights have been turned off."

"I have a lot of people who are elderly in my ward who said they were frightened to go out after 4pm during the winter. I have real concerns about people being prisoners in their own home."

A spokesman for NCC said: "The council is currently



facing a huge financial challenge. Difficult decisions have had to be made and turning off about half of the street lights owned by the council saved us about £2m in the financial year 2011/2012."

County Hall bosses, who are responsible for around 66,000 street lights across the county, began the switch-off in May last year.

The figures show they have saved nearly £1.2m on maintenance and a further £770,000 in energy costs.

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CINEMA-GOERS were plunged into darkness when a power cut struck on Sunday evening forcing the premises to be evacuated.

Cineworld in Sixfields, Northampton, had to empty nine of their screens when an underground electrical fault caused a power failure at around 6pm.

Normal service was resumed just over an hour later. Ironically, one customer who told us about the problem had been watching Dark Shadows.

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LIGHTS OUT: Cineworld at Sixfields

complimentary ticket. Western Power, which distributes electricity across the East Midlands, confirmed the supply was mainly disrupted in the East and West Hunsbury areas between around 6pm and 8.30pm. The company carried out a full repair of the underground cable.

■ A POWER cut stopped police taking non-emergency calls for five hours on Sunday. Northamptonshire Police was only able to receive 999 emergency calls when a power outage shut down their non-emergency 101 number at around 6pm.

It was working again by around 11pm.

Rugby tackle put paid to robbery bid

TWO men escaped a robbery when one of them "rugby tackled" the offenders, a court heard.

The victims were walking in Abington Park on November 11, 2010, when they were shouted at by a gang of young men.

One of the group, Grant Reynolds, 21, of Broadmead Avenue, Northampton, demanded one of the victims' wallet and phone.

Sentencing Reynolds to 12 months in prison, suspended for two years,

Recorder Geoffrey Kelly said: "This was a weak and cowardly offence – cowardly because there were two of them and many of you."

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In a property in the Old Diaries area of the town, next to Watling Street, police found an estimated 90 mature plants.

Inspector Helen Pritchett said: "We are committed to reducing offences relating to drug supply and this seizure will have a significant impact on the community."

She added work has taken place to make the area safe and a number of people were now being sought in connection with the location.



WEEDED OUT: Cannabis inside the property in Towcester

Speed camera talks shot down

BY LAUREN DAVIS

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CALLS for the county's speed cameras to be switched back on have been ignored.

The motion, at a Northamptonshire County Council meeting, came after it was revealed there had been a sudden rise in road deaths, with almost as many fatalities in the last four months as there were during the whole of last year.

But Conservative councillors said there was no correlation between the number of accidents and the cameras being switched off.

Councillor Heather Smith said: "Accidents around speed cameras have not gone up. There is no statistical evidence that road traffic accidents this year have been caused by turning off street lights or cameras."

However, Liberal Democrats accused the

Conservatives of "laughing" at a serious matter.

Councillor Brendan Glynane said: "We should be doing everything we can to prevent deaths and serious injuries and make our roads safer."

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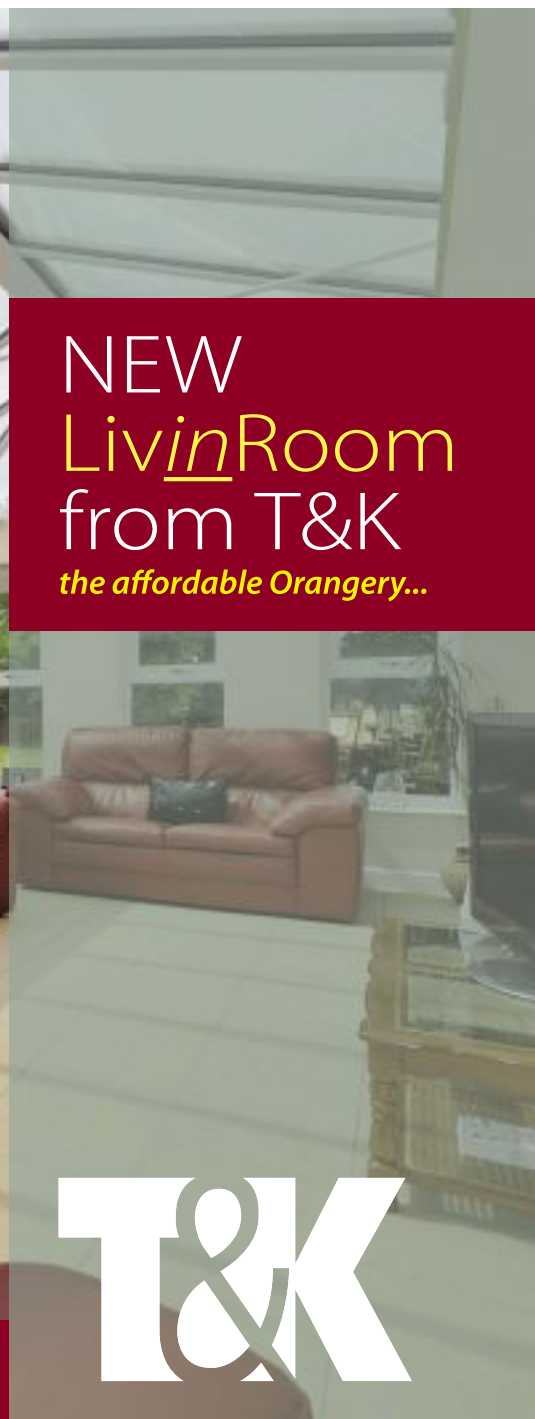
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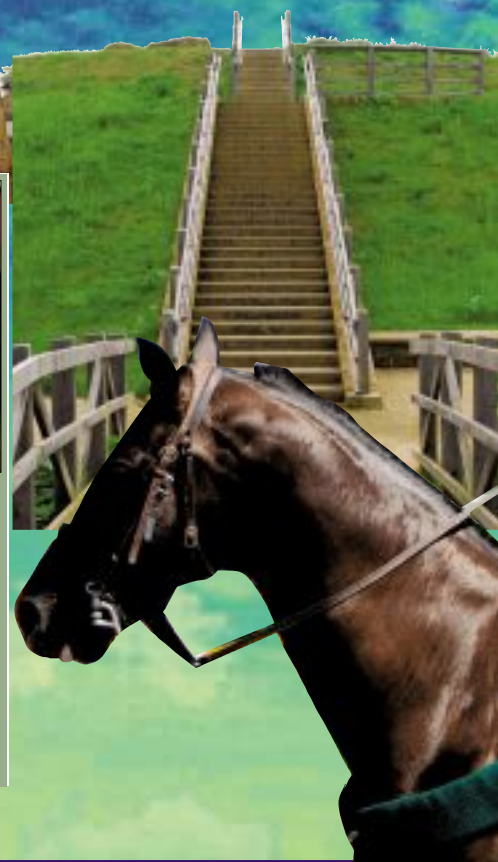
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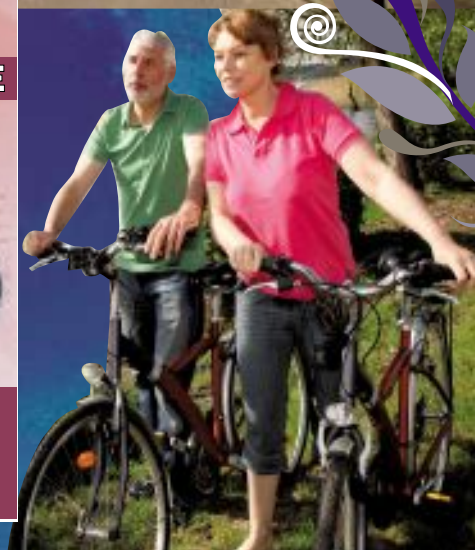
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All's Fair in Love and War can be seen from June 1-2 at 7.30pm at the university's Isham Studios at Avenue Campus in St George's Avenue, Northampton.

Tickets are £2 or £1 concessions, from 07983484912 or ksh.dowen@btinternet.com

THE BLOOMING JUBILEE

THERE will be a Jubilee flower festival with an anniversary theme at The Church of St Peter & St Paul, in Abington,

Northampton, over the bank holiday weekend.

The festival will start on Saturday, June 2 at 10.30am with a service of thanksgiving.

The church will then remain open until 5pm. On Sunday, June 3 the church will be open after the 9.30am service and on the Monday and Tuesday of the bank holiday it can be visited from 10am-5pm.

ART TO GO ON SHOW

THE Towcester & District Art Society will hold an exhibition at St John Baptist Church in High Street South, Tiffeld, on Sunday, June 3 from noon to 5pm and bank

holiday Monday, June 4 from noon to 4.30pm.

There will be original art works and exclusive greetings cards for sale. Admission is free.

SARAH'S SURPRISE GIG

AN American 'folk-roots prodigy' who was nominated for a Grammy Award is to play a surprise warm-up gig in the county.

Sarah Jarosz, 21, will perform at the Old School Hall in Harpole, tomorrow at 8pm.

Tickets are £10 from Harpole Village Stores or 01604 833444.

The gig is a prelude to Sarah's UK tour. The support act is TinLin.

Don't miss day of high drama

THEATRE

CAN YOU KEEP A SECRET?

The Canal Museum, Stoke Bruerne
Thursday, June 7

WE will head back to 1812 to commemorate the Yorkshire Luddites with this show from the Mikron Theatre Company.

The story takes place in Marsden, which is huddled into the valley at the foot of the wild Pennine moorland.

It is a village ravaged by the twists of fate which see families rise against each other in the fight for progress and the battle for survival.

In 1812 it was the hometown to Enoch Taylor, inventor and manufacturer of the first cropping machines. It was also the home to many croppers who saw their futures disappearing.

Joining the Luddite rebellion, a group of croppers took things into their own hands with fatal consequences.



Maeve Larkin's brand new script for Mikron weaves together the stories of the Luddites and the mill owners, the inventors and the croppers; spinning a richly colourful yarn.

Can You Keep a Secret? tells the dramatic events that led to the assault on Rawfold's Mill, the killing of William Horsfall and the subsequent hanging of 17 men in York.

Set against the dramatic Yorkshire landscape, the play intertwines the harsh realities of the croppers'

lives with a clandestine love affair and the tragic consequences of workers pushed to their limits.

Mikron Theatre Company tour on board their vintage narrowboat, travelling along the country's inland waterways.

There is no need to book tickets for this British Sign Language Interpreted show, as a pay-what-you-will collection will be taken afterwards.

People are invited to bring chairs and picnics.

For more details visit, www.mikron.org.uk

Forces' Walk in the Park date

EVENTS

ARMED FORCES DAY

Wootton Recreation Ground
Saturday, June 30

THE annual Walk in the Park Festival will host the town's Armed Forces Day on Saturday, June 30.

It will form part of the free Family Fun Day.

Armed Forces Day, which takes place each year, is the chance for the nation to show its support for the men and women

of the Armed Forces community and to raise awareness of the contribution they make.

And the presence of the Army, Navy and Royal Air Force at Wootton Rec will add to a multitude of events that will be going on during the day.

Councillor Brandon Eldred, the chairman of the Walk in the Park organising committee, said: "It's a real coup for us and I'm delighted they've chosen our event as their

venue for what is a very special day for them."

There will also be music, sporting activities and a fair.

Cllr Eldred explained that the Armed Forces Day organisers chose Walk In The Park after they were unable to put on their own display in the town centre, due to preparations for the arrival of the Olympic Torch in Northampton on the following Monday, July 2.

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7. Matrons (3)
9. Following (5)
10. Spin (3)
12. Agreed (3)
14. Plant disease (5)
15. Prod (4)
16. Arab book (4)
- DOWN:**
1. Complain (4)
2. Potato (4)
3. Couch (6)
4. Light blocking (5)
5. Food (4)
8. Wall pointing (5)
9. Inert (5)
10. Chaps (4)
11. Feral (4)
12. Simmer (4)

SOLUTION FOR LAST WEEK:
ACROSS: 2. Away 5. Coin 6. Ink 7. Newt
8. Farse 10. Eyes 13. Ace 14. Mow 16. Tang
19. Flow 21. Raff 22. Wine 23. Evil 24. Wier
DOWN: 1. Come 2. Annex 3. Yoke 4. Akas
5. Fret 8. Main 11. Fowl 12. Slow 15. Offer
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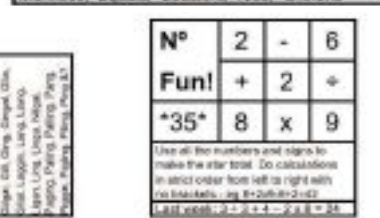


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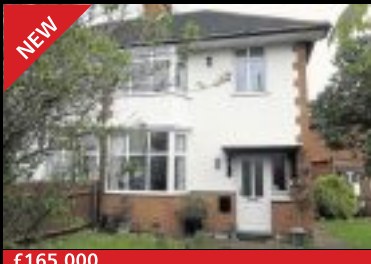


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VAUXHALL showrooms have this month started welcoming the revolutionary Ampera E-REV.

There is a 23-strong dealer network and a Vauxhall HQ-based customer liaison for every owner.

Offered in three trim levels, with the entry model available to order from this month, the first Amperas have started arriving in showrooms.

Starting at £29,995 (inclusive of the £5,000 government plug-in car grant) even the entry model Ampera comes with a raft of standard features, such as DAB radio, seven-inch touch-screen control monitor, cruise control and alloy wheels.

Adding a standard leather interior, with heated front seats and front/rear parking sensors with a rear-view camera, the Positiv model sits in the middle of the Ampera range at £32,250.

Topping the line-up is the Electron, which comes as standard with a state-of-the-art infotainment unit comprising:

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■ The Electron costs £33,995 (inclusive of the £5,000 government plug-in car grant) and, like the Positiv, can be ordered now.

But where all Amperas stand out from the crowd is the level of customer service and support offered to owners.

Backed by Vauxhall's unique Lifetime Warranty and a eight year 100,000 mile battery warranty, the majority of Ampera owners will have the convenience of a specialist dealer within a one-hour drive of their home.

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However, the icing on the cake is a service known as 'MyAmpera', which offers owners the telephone number and email address of their own personal agent, based at Vauxhall's head office.

"We're breaking completely fresh ground with the Ampera," said Duncan Aldred, Vauxhall's chairman and managing director. "The technology is obviously unique in a production car, but it's the level of personalised customer support we're offering that will be just as important to owners. MyAmpera reinforces this personalisation and will help us engage with our new owners throughout their time with the car."

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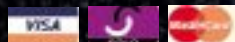
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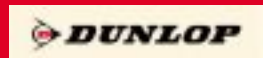
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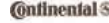
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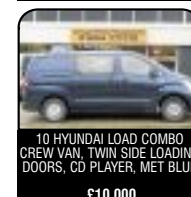
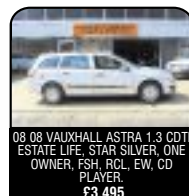
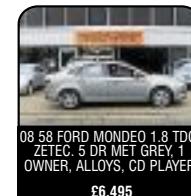
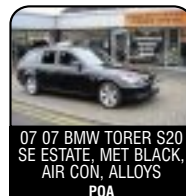
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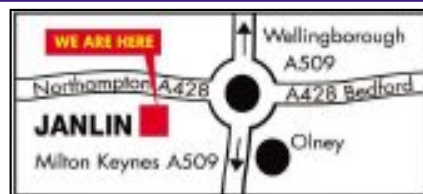
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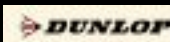
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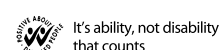
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**ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984-
SECTION 14(1)(A) THE M1 MOTORWAY
(JUNCTION 15) (TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF
TRAFFIC) ORDER 2012**
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Secretary of State
for Transport intends to make an Order on the M1
Motorway, in the County of Northamptonshire, to allow
resurfacing work to be carried out.
The effect of the Order will be to close the slip road
leading from the southbound carriageway of the M1
at Junction 15.
Work is expected to be carried out between; 19:00 hours
on Saturday 16 June 2012 and 10:00 hours on Sunday
17 June 2012; and overnight between 20:00 hours and
06:00 hours starting on Sunday 17 June 2012 and
continue for five nights.
Vehicles being used for police, fire brigade or ambulance
purposes and vehicles being used in connection with the
works or by a traffic officer will be exempt from the
closure. A diversion route via A43, A5123, A5076 and the
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**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -
SECTION 14****THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(A5199 WELFORD ROAD, SPRATTON)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH
TRAFFIC) ORDER 2012**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along that length of the A5199 Welford Road, Spratton as set out below.

LENGTH OF ROAD TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: That length of the A5199 Welford Road, Spratton from the entrance to White Lodge Farm to the entrance of Five Chimneys.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety carriageway preventative maintenance.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 1st June 2012 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the road will be restricted for up to 10 days for surface dressing/micro-asphalt. Closure will be applied during June/July 2012.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: For traffic heading north use A508 and A14. For traffic heading south use A14, A508, A5076, A5123 and A5095.

Dated this 24th day of May 2012

QUENTIN BAKER
Director of Legal Services
PKG/T12/066

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604-364359.

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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -
SECTION 14****THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(HOLLOWELL ROAD, CREATON & CREATON
ROAD, HOLLOWELL)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF THROUGH
TRAFFIC) ORDER 2012**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along those lengths of Hollowell Road, Creaton and Creaton Road, Hollowell as set out below.

LENGTHS OF ROADS TO WHICH RESTRICTION APPLIES: Those lengths of Hollowell Road, Creaton and Creaton Road, Hollowell from junction of A5199 Welford Road to junction of Church Hill.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during carriageway preventative maintenance.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 1st June 2012 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the roads will be restricted for up to 10 days for surface dressing/micro-asphalt. Closures will be applied during June/July 2012.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: For traffic heading east use Gulsborough Road, Hollowell Road, Coton Road, Gulsborough Road, High Street, Teeton Road, Ravensthorpe Road, Spratton Road, Teeton Road and Welford Road. The route is vice versa for traffic heading west.

Dated this 24th day of May 2012

QUENTIN BAKER
Director of Legal Services
PKG/T12/065

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604-364359.

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, NORTHAMPTON)
(WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS AND
ON-STREET PARKING PLACES)
(CONSOLIDATION) ORDER 2011
(AMENDMENT No. 1) ORDER 2012**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order under Sections 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 32, 35 to 39 and 45 to 55 and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") to amend "The Northamptonshire County Council (Various Roads, Northampton) (Waiting and Loading Restrictions and On-Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2011" as specified in the schedule below.

A COPY of the Order, together with a plan showing the exact lengths of roads to which it relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for making the Order, may be inspected at Northamptonshire Central Library, Abington Street, Northampton during normal opening times or at Riverside House, Riverside Way, Bedford Road, Northampton during normal office hours.

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or if any provisions contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or on the grounds that any requirement of that Act, or of any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may, within six weeks from the date of this Notice apply to the High Court for this purpose.

This Order will become effective on 25th May 2012.

QUENTIN BAKER, Director of Legal Services
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ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984
THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(SOUTH NORTHAMPTONSHIRE DISTRICT)
(WAITING AND LOADING RESTRICTIONS AND
ON-STREET PARKING PLACES) (CONSOLIDATION)
ORDER 2009****(AMENDMENT No. 2) ORDER 2012**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council have made an Order under Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 and Schedule 9 of the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984 ("the Act") to amend "The Northamptonshire County Council (South Northamptonshire District) (Waiting and Loading Restrictions and On-Street Parking Places) (Consolidation) Order 2009" as specified in the schedule below.

A COPY of the Order, together with a plan showing the exact lengths of roads to which it relates and a statement of the Council's reasons for making the Order, may be inspected at Towcester Library, Richmond Road, Towcester during normal opening times or at Riverside House, Riverside Way, Bedford Road, Northampton during normal office hours.

If you wish to question the validity of the Order or if any provisions contained in it on the grounds that it is not within the powers conferred by the Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, or on the grounds that any requirement of that Act, or of any instrument made under it has not been complied with in relation to the Order, you may, within six weeks from the date of this Notice apply to the High Court for this purpose.

This Order will become effective on 25th May 2012.

QUENTIN BAKER, Director of Legal Services
PKG/P1028

SCHEDULE
NO WAITING AT ANY TIME
Mill Lane, Greens Norton – north-east side – for a distance of 15 metres each side of the access road to the new development (access road between property numbers 19 and 21)

**THE WEST NORTHAMPTONSHIRE DEVELOPMENT
CORPORATION (ST PETER'S WATERSIDE,
NORTHAMPTON) COMPULSORY PURCHASE
ORDER 2012****COMPULSORY PURCHASE OF LAND IN
NORTHAMPTON**

Notice is hereby given that the West Northamptonshire Development Corporation (St Peter's Waterside, Northampton) Compulsory Purchase Order 2012 under section 142(1) of the Local Government Planning and Land Act 1980. It is about to submit this order to Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government for confirmation, and if confirmed, the order will authorise the West Northamptonshire Development Corporation to purchase compulsorily the land described below for the purpose of discharging its functions in the area, namely to facilitate the comprehensive regeneration of the land.

A copy of the order and of the accompanying map may be seen at all reasonable hours at the offices of West Northamptonshire Development Corporation, Franklin Gardens, Weedon Road, Northampton NN5 5WU.

Any objection to the order must be made in writing to the Secretary of State for Communities and Local Government, National Planning Casework Unit, 5 St Phillip's Place, Colmore Row, Birmingham B3 2PW before 8th June 2012 and should state the title of the order, the grounds of objection and the objector's address and interests in the land.

DESCRIPTION OF LAND

The land subject to the order extends to a total area of 23942 sq metres and comprises of the land and buildings generally to the south west of the Northampton town centre adjacent to, and south west, of St Peter's Way, including land and property in Green Street, land and properties in Tanner Street, parts of highway known as Towcester Road, part of Western Wharf and part of Riverside Walk.

Chris Garden
Director of Regeneration and Development
West Northamptonshire Development Corporation
15th May 2012

**NORTHAMPTON BOROUGH COUNCIL
TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING (GENERAL DEVELOPMENT
PROCEDURE) ORDER 1995
NOTICE UNDER ARTICLE 8
PLANNING (LISTED BUILDINGS AND CONSERVATION AREAS)
ACT 1990****APPLICATIONS FOR PLANNING PERMISSION**

N/2012/0456 **Garage Adjacent To, 1 Ardington Road** - Conversion and extension of existing garage into two storey 1 bed dwelling. Impacts on the setting of a Grade II GV listed building and within Abington Park Conservation Area.

N/2012/0461 **The Silver Horse PH, Prentice Court** - Change of use of ground floor from pub (use class A3) into nursery (use class D1) and retail (use class A1). Two-storey rear/side extensions including conversion of first floor and loft into 14 x self contained residential units. Major application.

N/2012/0453 **Sikh Temple, 2 Craven Street** - Change of use from prayer hall (use class D1) into dental lab (use class B1). Within the Boot and Shoe Conservation Area.

N/2012/0447 **The Freemasons Hall, 33 St Georges Avenue** - Change of use from D1 into residential college and teaching facility (use class C2) including insertion of rooflights and windows. Within Kingsley Conservation Area.

N/2012/0440 & N/2012/0427 **26 Kingsley Road** - Demolition of 7no existing garages and erection of new triple garage with storage over and new access gate. Within Kingsley Conservation Area.

Members of the public may obtain copies of the applications, plans and any other documentation submitted at the One Stop Shop, Guildhall, St. Giles Square, Northampton, NN1 1DE during all reasonable office hours. Plans can also be viewed on-line at www.northampton.gov.uk, click on 'planning' and then 'planning search facility'. Anyone who wishes to make representations about these applications should write to the Planning Division, Guildhall, St. Giles Square, Northampton NN1 1DE or email planning@northampton.gov.uk by 14/06/2012.

Susan Bridge, Head of Planning
Northampton Borough Council

**LOCAL GOVERNMENT (MISCELLANEOUS
PROVISIONS) ACT 1982****CONTROL OF SEX ESTABLISHMENTS
Notice of application for the Renewal of a
Sex Establishment licence**

We Urban Crowd Ltd do hereby give notice that it is our intention to apply to Northampton Borough Council, for the renewal to us of a licence authorising me to use or permit the use of premises known as 'Urban Tiger' as a sex establishment, that is to say, a sex entertainment venue.

Any person who desired to object to the renewal to us of the licence should send to The Licensing Officer, Licensing Department, Northampton Borough Council, St Giles Square, Northampton, NN1 1DE, not later than 28 days after the date of my/our application, i.e. 17th day of June 2012 a written statement setting out the general terms of his or her objections.

Dated this 17th day of May 2012

**NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
ROAD TRAFFIC REGULATION ACT 1984 -
SECTION 14****THE NORTHAMPTONSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL
(VARIOUS ROADS, CREATON, LAMPOR,
BRIXWORTH, SPRATTON & SYWELL)
(TEMPORARY PROHIBITION OF
THROUGH TRAFFIC) ORDER 2012**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Northamptonshire County Council intend, not less than seven days from the date of this Notice, to make an Order the effect of which will be to prohibit traffic from proceeding along those lengths of the various roads in Creaton, Lampor, Brixworth, Spratton and Sywell as specified in the Schedule below.

REASONS FOR RESTRICTION: The restriction is required for safety during carriageway preventative maintenance.

PERIOD OF CLOSURE: The proposed Order will come into effect on 1st June 2012 and will continue in force for a period of eighteen months. An application may be made for the approval of the Secretary of State for Transport for the Order to be extended if this proves necessary. However, the restriction specified will have effect only at such times and to such an extent as is indicated by the display of signs prescribed by the Traffic Signs Regulations and General Directions 2002.

EXPECTED DURATION: It is expected that the roads will be restricted for up to 15 days for carriageway patching and up to 10 days for surface dressing/micro-asphalt. Closures will be applied during June/July 2012.

ALTERNATIVE ROUTES: As specified in the Schedule below.

Dated this 24th day of May 2012

QUENTIN BAKER
Director of Legal Services

PKG/T12/067

If you require any further information please contact Gary Thorp on 01604-364359.

**SCHEDULE
(Lengths of roads to be closed)**

Station Road, Brixworth & Creaton Road, Creaton - from junction of Brixworth Road to junction of Church Street.

Diversion - for traffic heading north use Church Street, Harbrough Road, Northampton Road, Spratton Road, Brixworth Road, Welford Road, Violet Lane, The Green and Brixworth Road. The route is vice versa for traffic heading south.

A508 Harbrough Road, Brixworth & Lampor - from junction of A508/C31 Scaldwell Road roundabout to junction of High Street, Lampor.

Diversion - for traffic heading north use A5076, A43 and A14. The route is vice versa for traffic heading south.

Church Street & High Street, Brixworth - from junction of Station Road to junction of Harbrough Road.

Diversion - for traffic heading north use Harbrough Road, Northampton Road, Spratton Road, Brixworth Road, Welford Road, Violet Lane, The Green, Brixworth Road, Creaton Road and Station Road. The route is vice versa for traffic heading south.

Spratton Road, Brixworth & Brixworth Road, Spratton - from junction of Woodfields to junction of Olde Hall Close.

Diversion - for traffic heading east use Welford Road, Violet Lane, The Green, Brixworth Road, Creaton Road, Station Road, Church Street, Northampton Road and Harbrough Road. The route is vice versa for traffic heading west.

Sywell Road, Overstone & Overstone Road, Sywell - from junction of Holcot Lane to the Overstone 40 mph sign.

Diversion - for traffic heading east use Overstone Lane, A43 and Holcot Lane. The route is vice versa for traffic heading west.

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RUGBY UNION

MUCH has changed in the five years that Jim Mallinder has been in charge at Franklin's Gardens. But the Aviva Premiership's longest-serving director of rugby will not be happy while the club game's major prizes continue to evade him.

Mallinder's role in steering Northampton Saints from relegation to the old National Division One to becoming one of the top clubs in Europe was rewarded last week with him being handed a three-year contract extension.

The target now is to take the next step, with the Premiership title and Heineken Cup having both been just out of reach for the Saints during the last three seasons.

"In the last few years we've improved the club, improved the team and of course it's disappointing that this year we fell a bit short, as we did last year, but the positive for us is that we're in the mix," he said.

"To get to a Heineken Cup final and to be in three play-off semi-finals is an achievement in itself.

"That's where we want to be, and next year we have got a good chance playing in Europe. We've got a good squad, we've already signed some talented players, we're very close to announcing a few more players that will add to the mix and we think that, on the field as well as off

the field, it is very positive and we're looking forward to the future."

Mallinder has had to embark on a slight rebuilding job this summer, with integral players like James Downey, Roger Wilson, Chris Ashton and Jon Clark all leaving the Saints for new clubs.

And while there will be one or two overseas signings, his intention is to continue bringing in players that will form the core of the Northampton squad over the coming seasons rather than splashing the cash on big-name overseas stars.

The next generation will include Rotherham Titans back row Simon Dickinson and Sale Sharks centre Luther Burrell, as well as Academy graduates Will Hooley, Tom Collins and Danny Hobbs who have all earned their first professional deals.

Mallinder said: "We've lost some names that have made a massive contribution to Northampton Saints, but I think that four years ago when we announced that Roger Wilson and James Downey were coming to the club some people thought 'who are they?'"

"But they have developed into fantastic players and they are the type of players that we look for here. We don't go out and sign massive numbers of international players; we want players who can develop with us as a club.

"We are working on bringing in players



NEW FACE: Cameron Shepherd

who are established, and along with what we have got, will be good enough to compete at the very top level."

Yet while Mallinder is keen to field a side made up of England qualified players, he knows that international call-ups make it nigh-on impossible and last year saw the Saints cast the net further afield by recruiting George Pisi, Samu Manoa and Vasily Artnemyev.

The Northampton dressing room will

soon have an even more cosmopolitan look, with the news that Australian international winger Cameron Shepherd will be joining from Super Rugby outfit Western Force. Added to that is the arrival of highly-touted South African No.8 Gerrit-Jan van Velze from the Blue Bulls.

Mallinder said: "We've got to be very sensible in terms of our England players, and of course we like England qualified

players because we are an English club. That's the right thing to do and that's the culture that we should be trying to create, but we can't have too many players missing. Particularly in World Cup years it's a killer because for the first two months you don't see your players. They have EPS days and then there is the Six Nations as well. We've got to be mindful of that. We want a core of English players, but we've got to get the balance right."

Dowson is skipper for Baa-Baas battle

ENGLAND forwards coach has praised Phil Dowson's leadership qualities after he was named as captain for Sunday's game against the Barbarians.

New Test captain Chris Robshaw is unavailable as he and 17 other EPS players will be involved in the Aviva Premiership Rugby final the day before.

Northampton Saints back row Dowson featured under new head coach Stuart Lancaster's Red Rose side

that finished second in this year's Six Nations championship, but lost his place to Ben Morgan in later rounds.

Rowntree said: "Phil coped with the disappointment (of losing his place in the team) very well. That is the mark of Phil Dowson.

"He took it on the chin and we all saw the rise of Ben Morgan towards the end of the Six Nations so it wasn't easy for him.

"But he took it on the chin and never stopped giving his experience

to the younger guys and giving to the group. He is a great leader.

"When he makes a point it is worthwhile. We have a strong leadership group at the moment. There are a few guys we could give the captaincy to but we feel Dows is right for this game. When you are pulling guys together for the first time, that leadership is important. He will make sure we are right on it. This is a proper game, as intense and as big a game as a Six Nations game for us."

Foden fired up for tough Springbok tour

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THREE years after making his England bow against the Barbarians, Ben Foden is set to face the same opponents again on Sunday. It all signals the start of another busy summer for the Northampton Saints full-back.

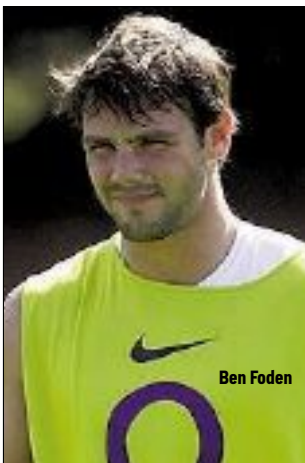
Following the Killik Cup clash at Twickenham, Foden – along with Saints team-mates Dylan Hartley, Lee Dickson, Paul Doran Jones, Phil Dowson and the soon to be departing Chris Ashton – heads to South Africa for England's three-Test series.

They will also face matches against the South African Barbarians North and South teams on the month-long tour to one of world rugby's toughest destinations. Such is the life of the international star, and while Foden concedes it will be tough on the back of a World Cup season, he is still looking

forward to pitting himself against the Springboks as Stuart Lancaster's new-look team seek to build on an impressive Six Nations.

"The World Cup is one thing, but a summer tour is always difficult because it comes off the back of a gruelling season – and this year after a World Cup season as well," said the 26-year-old. There is not much time to rest or anything like that, but it is a great place to go and play rugby. I was lucky enough to tour there when I was 16, so I've got a bit of a vague memory of what to expect.

"South Africa are a great team as well. The England team doing well in the Six Nations is one thing and we're looking to work on that and move on from there. It's been a long season, so we need to make sure that we approach it with the right frame of mind, and we're looking to put down a big marker by getting some results in South Africa."



Ben Foden

Paulson swaps Oz for Demons in bid to find his lost rugby hunger

RUGBY LEAGUE

INJURY prevented Germaine Paulson from forging a career in the NRL, but the Australian is now finding his way back into the game after joining Northampton Demons for this season, **writes Sam Haase.**

Born and raised in the town of Beaudesert in Queensland, Paulson followed in the footsteps of his uncles who were both passionate players.

By the time he was 15 he was representing Australia at schoolboy level and had a promising career ahead of him. Indeed, in 2006 Paulson achieved his dream of playing at the top level with the South Sydney Rabbitohs.

However, after making 17 appearances and scoring three tries, the utility back suffered a severe injury when he snapped both of his Achilles tendons and had to endure a long lay-off.

The 27-year-old has now moved to Northampton with his girlfriend and has joined the Demons set-up, coming across the side by chance after reading about them in the paper.

However, he is unsure how the style of rugby here will compare to that in Australia after playing there for so long.

"I came here with an open mind as I wasn't too sure what to expect," he said, adding: "I played an English academy side when I was 16 and also have a few friends that play Super League, but I wasn't too sure what the style would be like."

"After one game it's hard to get a feel for what it's going to be like, however after a few more games I am sure I will start to get more of a feel for it."

He is also impressed with the

structure at Northampton and seemed pleasantly surprised that it is taken so seriously in an area that is famous for rugby's other code.

After Paulson suffered his injury setback, he admitted that he hadn't found the desire to get back into rugby league after spending so long out of the game, instead focusing more on work.

Yet he sees this as the chance to test himself, focus on the sport and discover whether he can get back to the standard he once was.

He said: "Personally, I am still not too sure what I want to do with rugby league or whether I want to get back into it or not, but I am just going to take it as it comes."

"Coming over here has made me think whether I want to get back into it again and is a tester to see if the desire is still there in a different environment. If I am going to get back into it you can't go in half hearted, you have to be 100 per cent sure. Everyone here has been so welcoming and made me feel at home. The guys in the team are a great bunch and I am sure we can go on and replicate the successes of years gone by at the club."

The Demons exited the National Community Shield in the first round after suffering a 40-20 defeat away to Eastern Rhinos on Saturday.

Two tries each for Adam Cook and Brett Cuttbusch, as well as scores from Alex Gardiner, Darryl Walters and Ed Holland, helped the Rhinos progress to the last 16. The Demons now go into the Plate competition following that loss and now have a weekend off before the derby at home to Leicester Storm on June 2.

FORMULA ONE

PAUL di Resta is looking forward to the challenge of this weekend's Monaco Grand Prix as Formula One makes its annual visit to the tight twisty street circuit.

The Force India driver, who now lives in the Principality, recorded a 12th place finish at the race when he made his F1 debut there last year.

Steeped in history and tradition, this Grand Prix is still regarded as one of the most prestigious races in world motorsport and that is something di Resta is well aware of.

There's nowhere like home for Monaco resident race ace di Resta

"The Monaco Grand Prix is probably the highlight of the year and the race that every driver wants to win," he said.

"It's always a really busy weekend: the grandstands are packed, the yachts are in the harbour and everybody is looking for the best view. When the weather is nice it really helps make for an electric atmosphere."

But it is also the slowest circuit on

the F1 calendar and overtaking is at a premium, which means it presents many challenges for both the drivers and the teams.

Di Resta explained: "It's a circuit that's all about confidence and commitment and you need to build up your speed through the weekend to extract the maximum laptime. There are some great corners, such as Casino Square where you arrive at 185 mph and brake as you turn into a blind corner.

"Then there's the slowest corner of the year, the hairpin, taken in first gear using maximum steering lock.

"For the end of the lap through the swimming pool you really feel the downforce and you need a car that can ride the bumps and kerbs.

"It's a real challenge for drivers and engineers to get the perfect car."

It is a race that team mate Nico Hulkenberg enjoys as well and he is aiming for a repeat of the Spanish

Grand Prix which saw him score a point for the Silverstone-based team.

Hulkenberg has also been pleased with the recent upgrades to the Force India car, but added: "We still have work to do to understand and fine-tune them along with the set-up, so that is something the team is working on.

"When you see how close the teams around us are it can really make a difference to find even the smallest gain."

Northants boss Lawrence hails Wantage Road deal

CRICKET

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AFTER five years of negotiations, Northants Cricket have been able to secure the freehold of their County Ground home from the Cockerill Masonic Trust.

Previously the ground was let to the club on a long-lease basis, but thanks to the legacy left by former president Lynn Wilson they have been able to purchase it outright.

Although there were no concerns over the long-term security of the ground, the County had been keen to take over full ownership for some time.

Northants chairman Martin Lawrence said: "This was the best thing the club could do and we are very happy that we have been able to achieve this.

"Although the Cockerill Trustees had allowed us to occupy the County Ground on a long leasehold basis there is nothing better than to have secured ownership of the site ourselves. This will help to sustain the long term financial security of the club and will enable the club to develop the site to the highest standards possible."

The ground has undergone several changes in recent years, with the most significant being the installa-

tion of permanent floodlights in 2010. A new outdoor practise area on the site of the former bowls club is also due to be completed later this year, while the club have managed to regularly secure fixtures against touring international teams.

The England Under-19s, Lions and Women's teams have played at Wantage Road as well, with chief executive David Smith aiming to ensure that continues. This purchase gives the club a good opportunity to continue developing the County Ground," he said. "Developments such as the outdoor nets facility will enhance our reputation within the game and it should benefit the club in securing future international touring team fixtures, as our improving facilities will be a big attraction to them."

On the field, head coach David Capel is being given an unwelcome selection headache by a spate of injuries that have hit the squad in recent weeks.

Opening batsmen Rob Newton and Ben Howgego are the latest to be sidelined, with Newton suffering a broken wrist during last week's LV= County Championship Division Two draw away to Kent.

That meant he was unable to bat in the second innings and James Middlebrook was pushed up the order to open, scoring 64. With Howgego also out due to a wrist



HOMEOWNERS: Martin Lawrence talks with head coach David Capel photo by Andy Kearns

injury, the all-rounder again fills that role for the home game against Gloucestershire that started yesterday.

Jack Brooks has a stiff back and Sam Sweeney, who featured in Sunday's Clydesdale Bank 40 12-run defeat at home to Sussex Sharks, has injured his arm.

As well as that, Chaminda Vaas

failed a late fitness test yesterday morning as he continues to struggle with a hip injury, handing seamer David Burton his first County Championship start of the year.

After the conclusion of the Gloucestershire game, the Steelbacks face Warwickshire Bears in their latest CB40 Group C match on Sunday.



Chapel House set for ladies evening

HORSE RACING

KING'S Sutton-based trainer Richard Harper has only two horses in his yard but both are set to run at Towcester tomorrow evening, when the track stages its Ladies Evening fixture.

Nine year-old Chapel House has become the apple of Harper's eye after an astonishing sequence of runs since last summer when he joined the Home Farm stables which he runs with his son Charlie.

Eleven outings have produced three victories while the Beneficial gelding has also run in the first four on half of his other appearances. Crucially, Chapel House has now won three of his last four starts, being second on the other occasion at Hereford.

Harper withdrew the horse from a 3m contest at Towcester on Tuesday and explained: "I have spoken to the lady in Yorkshire who trained him before us.

"If we are going to start running over three miles we don't want to do that first time on a stiff track such as Towcester.

"The furthest Chapel House has been over so far is 2m 6f, with his winning over 2m 5f or less, while tomorrow's race is over 2m 3 1/2f.

"The other factor is that Friday's race is for 0-110 rated horses and Chapel House won't have to carry as much weight as he would have done in the Tuesday race, which was a 0-115."

Harper's other horse is the former Kim Bailey-trained Top Benefit who is entered in the 3m handicap chase and who will be having just his second outing for the Northants yard.

That contest has also attracted Paul Webber's popular grey veteran Appleday. The 11-year-old could be asked to carry close to top weight if given the nod.

Admission for the fixture is £10, while Towcester's final meeting before October will be on Bank Holiday June 4, the afternoon of the Queen's Diamond Jubilee.

BASKETBALL

NORTHAMPTON School for Girls were crowned this year's Dynamik National Schools Basketball Champions at the finals day in Nottingham.

The Under-15 dominated Ashcombe to run out 65-49 winners, replicating the success of the school's U16s team, nine years ago.

Steph Ogden led NSG in points scoring on the day with 47, while Caitlin Stewart earned the MVP award for her 12 points, 16 rebounds and five steals in the final.

Flu sees Spence title fight hits skids as fellow pros suffer blows

BOXING

THERE is an old saying that bad things come in threes, and in the last couple of weeks that has certainly been the case for Northampton's professional boxers as injury and illness have taken their toll.

First, Liam Daly suffered a cracked rib in training and had to pull out of his scheduled bout in Bedford last Friday. Then Jamie Spence was stricken with flu that meant his Midlands Area lightweight title tilt against current champ Amir Unsworth was called off.

Now Ash Lane is the latest victim. Having been scheduled to face Leigh Wood on the undercard of Carl Froch's challenge for Lucian Bute's IBF super middleweight title in Nottingham this Saturday, he has

since been laid low with a severe chest infection. Being forced to renege on the fight has also proved financially costly for Lane, but the super featherweight hopes to have another contest sorted out soon. In the meantime though, he has one or two other things to take care of.

"I'm going to use this time to be as productive as possible," he said.

"I'm probably going to go and visit a dietician and see if I'm getting everything I need. I might be missing some zinc or iron which means I'm not as immune to illness.

"I'll get another opportunity – maybe a bigger one than this was. I spoke to my manager last week and he said I might be getting two title fights in September, so hopefully I'll be fighting for the British Masters and Area titles.

"I know that eventually I will get my opportunity because I work hard. I've got the right people around me – not just boxing people but my friends and family as well."

Meanwhile, Spence is still hopeful of securing a shot at Unsworth's Area title after being forced to pull out of a showdown with him for the second time due to circumstances beyond his control.

Their first bout was scratched after the 27-year-old sustained a rib injury while sparring, and last week saw him have to pull out just two days before the fight after contracting a serious illness that meant he was on antibiotics.

Spence said: "There was no way I was going to have recovered in time. I need to speak to my manager and hopefully we can sort out another date.

But that's the second time I've had to pull out so they might say no."

■MILES Wright and Kyle Mason face rematches tonight against the two boxers from Braunston ABC that they defeated in Shepshed on Saturday.

Wright and Mason beat Tom Hawley and Connor Townsend respectively via unanimous decisions at the Hind Leys College and the Far Cotton Boys ABC duo now face the same opponents again at Thurmaston Working Men's Club.

Club-mate Kyle Owen was also victorious on the same bill, defeating Sheffield City ABC's Roo Lewicki on a majority verdict in what head coach John Daly rated as his toughest fight so far. Karl Spick, Ben Fail and Connor Downes are all fighting for the club in Hemel Hempstead on Sunday.

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Agony and the ecstasy of the 2012 London Olympic Games as Town duo's dreams are ...



GONE

Avil calls it quits after eating disorders

BY LAUREN DAVIS

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AN Olympic hopeful from Northampton is retiring at the age of 22 after years of battling an eating disorder.

Hollie Avil, who was ranked number one in the world when she was just 18, announced on Twitter on Tuesday: "I've decided to end my career as a triathlete."

She went on to explain that she had suffered from eating disorders, depression and stress fractures and had decided to quit elite sport for the good of her health.

Speaking on national radio this week, the former Junior World Champion said: "I know it sounds a bit odd putting 'retiring' and '22' together. I've got to remember the positives in my career too, but I had to admit that I wasn't happy doing the triathlon. It led me to depression, and you shouldn't be in a sport that makes you unhappy."

At the world championships in 2006, Hollie said a coach had made a comment about her weight telling her that she needed to watch it if she wanted to get fitter.

She said: "I was a swimmer to begin with and weight was never an issue in our sport. I didn't even know what a calorie was."

But after her attention had been drawn to her size, she became obsessed with food.

The young star said: "The eating disorder crept in. Things started happening. You start cutting things out until it takes over your life. I was still living at home and I went about things quite sneakily – I wanted to hide it from my parents."

Hollie lost nearly 10 kilos in a matter of months, and in early 2007 her coach at the time, Ben Bright, realised something was wrong and spoke to her parents. She says it was "very difficult" for them to deal with.

"I remember going shopping with

my mum and I was trying clothes on. Mum looked at me and started crying."

Hollie gradually recovered and only missed out on the Beijing Olympics due to an unrelated stomach bug.

But in 2010, after parting company with Bright, she fell back into old habits.

She said: "It was me trying to control everything that was going on. I kept it very quiet."

After contracting a virus due to her low weight, Hollie returned home to Northampton and broke down, telling her parents the eating disorder had returned.

Now on her way back to full health, the young athlete hopes to use her sporting expertise and her experience with weight issues to help others suffering from the same problems.

"Who knows what the future will bring... I'm proud of what I've overcome."



Baggaley gets Team GB call-up

TABLE tennis player Andrew Baggaley believes he's hitting his peak at the right time after he was selected to represent Team GB at the London 2012 Olympics.

The 29-year-old from Northampton is part of a six-strong team that includes Paul Drinkhall, Liam Pitchford, English national champions Joanna Parker and Kelly Sibley and Na Liu.

Experienced Baggaley, who has won five Commonwealth Games medals and is a three-time English Men's Singles National Champion said: "I'm very pleased to be playing in the Olympics, it's a massive honour and I'm over the moon. It's really exciting and a great time to be an athlete."

"It could've been at a time when I was too old or too young but the timing has been incredible as I'm at my peak now – at 29, my best years are yet to come."

"Now I'm totally relaxed and my preparation will continue in China."

"We'll be very well prepared and it's a good time to get sparring in China."

When we come back we'll have a few weeks so we can tailor our game and try to peak at the Olympics."



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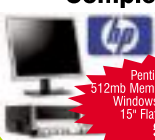


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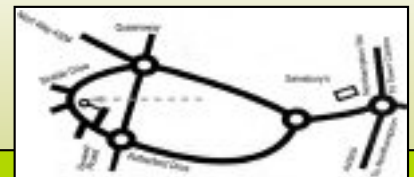
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